



Atty. Docket No. SP-0649.1 (EVE01 P-565)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Art Unit : 1745  
Examiner : C. Chaney  
Applicant : John C. Nardi  
Appln. No. : 09/213,544  
Filing Date : December 17, 1998  
For : ALKALINE CELL HAVING A CATHODE INCORPORATING  
ENHANCED GRAPHITE

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Responsive to the Office Action mailed December 8, 1999, please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks.

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In the Claims:

Please add new claims 18-21 as follows.

18. (new) The electrochemical cell as defined in claim 1, wherein the expanded graphite particles have a kerosene absorption value in the range of 2.7 to 3.1 ml/g.

a' 19. (new) The electrochemical cell as defined in claim 18, wherein the expanded graphite particles have a purity level greater than 99.9 percent.

pc 20. (new) The electrochemical cell as defined in claim 14, wherein said expanded graphite particles have a kerosene absorption value in the range of 2.7 to 3.1 ml/g.

I hereby certify that this paper, together with all enclosures identified herein, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington D.C. 20231, on the date indicated below.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. 1.111 in the above-identified application.

Any fee for additional claims has been calculated as shown below:

## CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Col. 1		Col. 2	Col. 3	Small Entity		Other Than A Small Entity	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Add'l Fee	Rate	Add'l Fee
Total Claims	* 21	Minus	** 20	= 0	x \$9	\$	x \$ 18	\$ 18
Independent Claims	* 3	Minus	*** 3	= 0	x \$39	\$	x \$ 78	\$ 0
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims \$130						\$	x \$260	\$ 0 <sup>b</sup>
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$		\$ 18


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- \* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3  
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The "Highest No. Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

1. ☐ Small entity status of this application 37 CFR §§1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted or is enclosed.
2. ☐ No additional fee is required.
3. ☒ A check in the amount of \$18 is attached.
4. ☒ Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16 2463.  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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March 7, 2000.  
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